

Remarks

Claim 4 is pending in the application.

Applicants have amended claim 4 in order to define more clearly that which Applicants regard as their invention. Support for the amendment to claim 4 can be found, e.g., in the specification at pp. 19-21 and claim 4 as originally filed. No new matter has been added.

In an Advisory Action mailed on March 19, 2004, the Examiner suggested acceptable claim language to put claim 4 in condition for allowance. On March 30, 2004, Attorney for Applicants, Catherine Kurtz Gowen spoke with Examiner Parkin by telephone to accept the suggested language. Apparently an Examiner's amendment was not put through and the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office mailed a Notice of Abandonment in this case on October 1, 2004.

Therefore, Applicants are now filing a Request for Reconsideration under M.P.E.P § 711.03. A Supplemental Amendment showing the agreed upon claim amendment is being filed herewith.

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, Applicants submit that the application is in condition for allowance. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request allowance of the pending claim.

If any other fees are due in connection with the filing of the subject Amendment, authorization is hereby given to charge the amount of such fee to Deposit Account No. 10-0750/CDS-0222/SBA in the name of Johnson & Johnson.

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